

## LETTER OF AGREEMENT

EFFECTIVE: June 25, 2011

SUBJECT: Louisville Area Fixed Wing and Helicopter Operating Procedures

**1. PURPOSE:** To define operational procedures, holding/reporting points, special visual flight rule (SVFR) routes, and local call signs.

**2. CANCELLATION:** This letter cancels Louisville Air Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) and Helicopters Incorporated Letter of Agreement (LOA), dated March 1, 2006.

**3. SCOPE:** The operational areas for visual flight rules (VFR), SVFR, and holding /reporting points used while operating under SVFR are depicted on attachment "A". Street references for the holding/reporting points are described in attachment "B".

### 4. PROCEDURES:

#### a. General:

(1) Pilots shall obtain a clearance from Louisville ATCT to enter any area within the Louisville Class "C" Surface Area, then maintain two-way communications at all times while operating via this letter.

(2) Under VFR conditions, helicopters shall remain at least 1/2 mile from the specified arrival/departure corridor as instructed by Louisville ATCT. Crossing arrival/departure corridors may be approved within the Class C Surface Area, traffic permitting. If unable, Louisville ATCT may instruct the operator to cross corridors clear of the Class C Surface Area.

***Note-** Unless radar service is terminated, the pilot does not need to report reentering the Class C surface area after crossing a corridor.*

b. Altitudes. All operations shall be conducted at an altitude at or below 2,500'MSL. If necessary to operate at a higher altitude, the pilot shall advise Louisville Tower.

#### c. SVFR Operations:

(1) SVFR clearance to enter Louisville-Standiford's Class C surface area must be obtained from Louisville Tower. SVFR clearance into Bowman's Class D area must be obtained from Louisville Approach Control.

(2) In Louisville's Class C surface area, helicopters shall remain at least one mile east or west of the arrival/departure corridor as instructed by Louisville Tower. Louisville Tower may approve transitioning these corridors as traffic permits. See attachment A for commonly requested points for transition and holding.

(3) The following alternate separation minima may be used for SVFR helicopters:

(a) Between a SVFR helicopter and an arriving or departing IFR aircraft:

1. ½ mile, If the IFR aircraft is less than 1 mile from the landing airport.
2. 1 mile, If the IFR aircraft is 1 mile or more from the airport.

(b) Between SVFR helicopters: 1 mile. This separation may be reduced to 200' if:

1. The tower can determine this separation by reference to surface markings; or
2. One of the departing helicopters is instructed to remain at least 200' from the other.

(4) SVFR helicopters shall maintain visual reference to the surface at all times.

## 5. AIRCRAFT CALL SIGNS:

a. Authorized local call signs and transponder codes for Helicopters, Inc. are:

Aircraft Call Sign	Transponder Code	Registration Number	SDF ARTS Designator
"News Chopper Thirty Two"	0112	N3YJ	NUZC32
"Sky Cam"	0115	N5QP	SKYCAM

b. FCC Regulations 87.115 are followed in use of local call signs.

c. Local call signs are to be used only for communications within Louisville Approach Control airspace for local VFR/SVFR operations. Local call signs **shall not** be used for filing flight plans leaving Louisville Approach Control Airspace.

## 6. SERVICE TERMINATION:

The operator shall notify Louisville ATCT of service cancellation with their respective broadcast company, and if known, the name of the organization who is to assume these services. In the event of service cancellation, this Letter of Agreement is canceled.

## 7. ATTACHMENT:

The attachment depicts holding/reporting points and areas of operation, along with street descriptions and coordinates for those points.

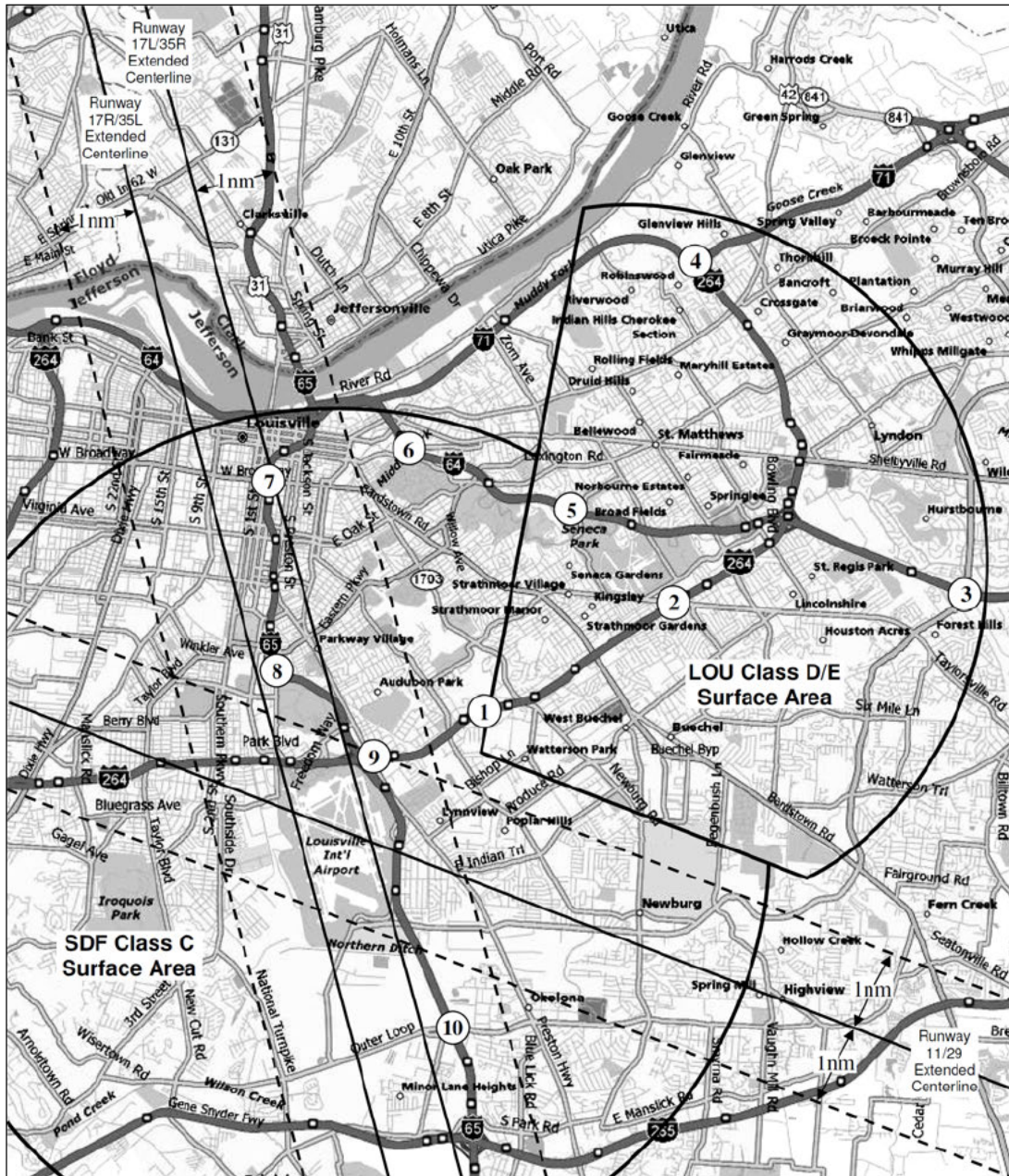


Air Traffic Manager, Louisville ATCT



Pilot, Helicopters, Inc.

# Attachment



Point #	Holding/Reporting Point Description	Coordinates
1	I-264 between Poplar Level & Newburg	38° 12.01'N - 85° 41.93W
2	I-264 at Taylorsville Road	38° 13.29'N - 85° 39.05W
3	I-64 at Hurstbourne Lane	38° 13.41'N - 85° 34.73W
4	I-71 at I-264	38° 17.32'N - 85° 38.77W
5	I-64 northwest of Bowman	38° 14.39'N - 85° 40.60W
6	I-64 at Payne Street	38° 15.13'N - 85° 43.06W
7	I-65 at Broadway	38° 14.74'N - 85° 45.13W
8	I-65 at Crittenden Drive	38° 12.45'N - 85° 45.06W
9	I-264 at Preston	38° 11.43'N - 85° 43.62W
10	I-65 at Outer Loop	38° 08.22'N - 85° 42.41W